Weekly Summer Flounder Quota Report (No. 47)

Summer Flounder Landings and State Commercial Quotas (Pounds) for 1999.

		Week	Period		
State	Late	Ending	Cumulative	1999 Quotas	Percent
	Entries	27-NOV-99	Total (to date)		Landed
ME	0	0	5,856	4,450	131.6
NH	0	0	0	51	0
MA	0	0	796,789	757,842	105.1
RI	1,306	13,750	1,554,162	1,742,583	89.2
CT	0	1,244	227,888	238,516	95.5
NY	-1,217	147	801,231	790,006	101.4
NJ	-3,428	60,823	1,771,567	1,853,926	95.6
DE	68	0	7,045	-25,439	_
MD	0	505	174,627	202,354	86.3
VA	50,441	104,391	1,816,623	2,120,696	85.7
NC	346	253	2,259,998	3,044,589	74.2
TOTAL	47,516	181,113	9,415,786	10,755,013	87.5

Notes:

The total quota reflects pounds available for landings in states with quota. States with negative allocations have zero (0) pounds of quota available.

Negative late entries are the result of corrections to the database.

For the week ending **27-NOV-99**, 224 dealers held a federal summer flounder permit. Of those 224 dealers, 148 (66%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, they were not included in these calculations.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary. Data supplied by the State of Massachusetts are as of November 13, 1999.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Summer Flounder

• This table is to be used for informational purposes only, and should not be relied on for state regulations. That information should be attained directly from the individual states.

State/	Closure	Trip/Possession Limits	Other Provisions/	State Contact
Commonwealth	status	(pounds)	Pending Changes	
Maine	Federal		Effective 0001 hrs on 3/30/99, fishing vessels issued a Federal moratorium permit for summer flounder fishery may no longer land of possess summer flounder in Maine for the remainder of the 1999 calendar year.	• •
New Hampshire				603-868-1095
Massachusetts	Federal/ State		Effective 8/16/99, the commercial summer flounder fishery will be closed for the remainder of the year. The landing/possession limit will drop to 0 lbs for all gear types on this date.	Dave Pierce 617-727-3193
Rhode Island		Effective 11/1/99 the possession limit will be 300 lbs of summer flounder.		Jenifer Temple 401-222-3075 401-789-3094
Connecticut	State	Effective Wednesday, 11/10/99, the possession limit for summer flounder (fluke) taken from CT waters or landed in this state, regardless where taken, is reestablished at 100 lbs per trip or per day.		Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043
New York	Federal/ State	Beginning 0001 hrs on 11/10/99 and ending 2400 hrs on 1/1/2000, no summer flounder permit holder may land any summer flounder from any one fishing trip. Closure	Effective on 11/1/99, fishing vessels issued a Federal moratorium permit for summer flounder fishery may no longer land of possess summer flounder in New York for the remainder of the 1999 calendar year.	John Mason 516-444-0453
New Jersey		Effective 0601 hrs on 11/21/99, no vessel shall land or possess any summer flounder in excess daily trip limit of 2,000 lbs.		Tom McCloy 609-292-2083

State Information on Summer Flounder, continued

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Commonwealth	status	(pounds)	Pending Changes	
Delaware				Rick Cole 302-739-4782
				302-739-4782
Maryland		2,000 lbs for vessels with	For vessels without a Maryland	Harley Speir
		Maryland summer flounder	\mathcal{E}	410-260-8303
		landing permit.	permit, 200 lbs from the	
			Atlantic Coast and 100 lbs from the Chesapeake Bay.	
			from the Chesapeake Bay.	
Virginia		Effective 4/7/99 through		Lewis Gillingham
		11/15/99, vessels shall be		757-247-2243
		limited to no more than 10% by		
		weight of all other landed		
		species on board.		
North Carolina			Beginning 0001 hrs 12/1/99	Fentress "Red"
			and ending 1800 hrs on	Munden,
				919-726-7021
			fishing operation, regardless of	
			the number of people involved,	
			may have total landings of	
			more than 10,000 lbs of	
			summer flounder taken from	
			the Atlantic Ocean.	